

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-19 are pending in this application. Attached hereto is a complete listing of all claims in the application, with their current status listed parenthetically. By this Response, no claims have been amended, cancelled or withdrawn.

### **Notice of Appeal**

A Notice of Appeal was filed on December 19, 2005. Applicant requests that the present application be remanded to the Examiner for consideration of this amendment.

Applicant amends the specification for the necessary reason of including a paragraph from U.S. patent 6,597,683 (the "'683 patent") that is incorporated by reference in its entirety in the present application.

Applicant submits this amendment to present the application in complete form for the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, and submits this is a good and sufficient reason why the amendment was not earlier presented.

### **In the Specification**

The present application incorporates by reference the '683 patent in its entirety. Applicant amends the present specification to now include one paragraph of the '683 patent.

**Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph**

In paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejects claims 1-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Applicant traverses the rejection, and directs the Examiner to Applicant's response filed March 18, 2005 and to Applicant's Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review filed August 26, 2005.

**Conclusion**

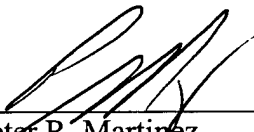
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Respectfully submitted,

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